It shall be the duty of the State Horticulturist to carry out the work of the horticultural investigation and experimentation, under the direction of the Maryland Experiment Station.

- 74. Airplane dissemination of insecticides, fungicides and bactericides.
- (a) It shall be the duty of the [State Board] Secretary of Agriculture[, through the State Entomologist or its duly authorized officer or agent,] to determine whether there exist infestations or infections which may be controlled in their spread or retarded by airplane dissemination of insecticides, fungicides and bactericides, and whether there exist animal or human diseases with a known or suspected [anthorpod] arthropod vector which may be controlled or their spread retarded by airplane dissemination of insecticides, fungicides and bactericides; and upon such a determination the [State Board] Secretary of Agriculture is authorized and empowered to employ such means of dissemination, the provisions of [Section 9 of this Article 1A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition) or on] any other existing provision of law to the contrary notwith-standing.
- (b) In order to accomplish the purposes of this section the State Board Secretary of Agriculture, through the State Entomologist or its duly authorized officer or agent, is authorized and empowered to expend such funds as may from time to time be appropriated in the State budget or otherwise for use in controlling incipient, emergency or long-standing insect, fungus or disease outbreaks which in the judgment of the State Board of Agriculture Secretary and [its] cooperating agencies require drastic treatment with respect to their immediate elimination as a menace to the economic welfare and health of the people of the State.
- (c) The [State Board] Secretary of Agriculture[, through the State Entomologist or its duly authorized officer or agent,] is further authorized and empowered to receive from any individual, corporation, municipality or county funds for the purposes contemplated in this section and to expend the same for the purposes authorized therein HEREIN; to employ personnel and to execute such work as may be undertaken pursuant to this section by contract or free account as it may deem to be in the best interest of the State.
- (d) The [State Board] Secretary of Agriculture[, through the State Entomologist, or its duly authorized officer or agent,] is further authorized and empowered to cooperate with other states and with other state or federal agencies in the determination of the necessity for and in the employment of airplane dissemination of insecticides, fungicides and bactericides, and in the case of human diseases specifically the [State Board] Secretary of Agriculture is directed to cooperate with the State Department of Health and Mental Hygiene.
- 75. Quarantine of infested or infected areas.
- (a) In order to control, retard or eradicate any dangerously injurious insects, other animal pests or plant diseases, the **[**officers of the State Horticultural Department, acting through the State Board **]** Secretary of Agriculture, may establish quarantines and/or rescind quarantines against the introduction into the State of any plant ma-